



*Our Mission: Sharing Christ's love with the greatest number of people*



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*Life at Redeemer*

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## September 14, 2025

### Welcome to Redeemer

We welcome you to our worship service this morning! Please sign the guest book that is found in our entry area or the red attendance book found in the pews. If you include your email address, we will keep you informed of any upcoming events. You can also email us at [church@redeemermclean.org](mailto:church@redeemermclean.org).

### Holy Communion Open to All

We offer Holy Communion at all of our worship services. Please follow the instructions of the pastor when it is time to come forward. If you are not comfortable taking Holy Communion for any reason but would like to come forward for a blessing, then just cross your arms and the pastor will bless you. All are welcome to the Lord's Table.

### Using Hymnals at Traditional Services

Starting today, we return to our standard practice of using the hymnals in the pews for the hymns at the two Traditional services. We will be better stewards of all that God has given us.

#### Hymns Today at the 8:30 am and 11 am Services

- #731 Earth and All Stars!
- #789 Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us
- #629 Abide with Me
- #807 Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

### Construction Project Update

Ceiling tiles are now being removed in the old classroom wing so that new pipes and electrical wires can be installed for the new HVAC system. The old boiler has been taken offline and those pipes and wall radiators are being removed too. Also, the new rooftop HVAC control units will be put into place soon. There will be one on each side of the building and each room will now be able to control its own temperature, a function not available with the old boiler system.

### Temple Talk – Endowment Ministry

The Endowment Fund and Committee were formed in 1995 to extend Redeemer's outreach mission. All donations remain in the Fund; only earnings are dispersed as modest grants to nonprofit organizations, either local or outside our local area.

The latest Endowment Committee grant of \$4000 was approved by Council for the YouthWorks Kingdom Fund in conjunction with the youth mission trip to Niagara Falls in June 2025. Today, representatives from the youth mission trip will speak about their time supporting worthy organizations in the Niagara community.

For questions about the Endowment Fund, please email Stephanie Hunter at [endowment@redeemermclean.org](mailto:endowment@redeemermclean.org).

### Ushers Needed

We are looking for people to help serve as ushers at Redeemer. You may only need to support one service a month or less, but you make a large impact. Ushers are the greeters as people enter worship. They support the service through offering and communion, and play an important role in helping the services run smoothly. But it is also fun and a great way to share fellowship with everyone at service. Training is provided and all ages are welcome. Talk to any usher or reach out to Matthew Kratz at [pghkratz@gmail.com](mailto:pghkratz@gmail.com).

### Joan Coffman

Our sister, Joan Coffman, died on September 5. She joined Redeemer by Affirmation of Faith in November 2013. She was a resident of Sunrise. She enjoyed getting the bulletin and sermon in the mail; she would read them throughout the week. A graveside service will be held at the end of September. When we know more details, we will share them. May the God of the empty tomb surround Joan's family and friends, giving to them comfort and hope.

## Youth

### **Sunday Morning Youth Classes Sundays at 9:45 am**



Faith Formation, Confirmation, and the High School Class have resumed for the '25-'26 school year. All students need a new registration each year. To register online, please scan the QR code or use this link: <https://forms.gle/jETNJ22QnWBHvbV17>.

### **“Called in our Wandering” Confirmation and High School Event November 21 to 23**

Youth in grades 7 to 12 are invited to join the Metro D.C. and Delaware-Maryland Synod Event. Youth will experience a weekend of music, games, small group faith discussion, service projects, and worship. Come make new friends and strengthen your faith! The cost is \$200 and scholarships are available.

### **Mission Trips 2026 – June 21 to June 26, 2026 Sign Up Deadline October 19**

Our 2026 Youth Mission trip planning is underway. We will have two trips: one for those in 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grades, to Harrisburg, PA, and one for those in high school, to Wilmington, NC. Both trips will be through the organization YouthWorks as we have done in the past. We will need chaperones for both trips.

Please contact Grace Howie to sign up for youth events or trips at [grace@redeermclean.org](mailto:grace@redeermclean.org).

### **Canned Food Donations for Redeemer's Little Pantry**

The Little Pantry provides access to food, 24/7, without qualifications or judgment. Items may be placed 24/7 in the bin outside Door 10, on Sundays in the bin in the Crossroads, or directly into the Pantry (parking lot on Westmoreland St. side.)

Items most needed:

***At this time we do not need canned beans and chicken.***

- Canned tuna, meat stews
- Canned fruit, vegetables, soups, and pasta
- Small sized plastic jars of peanut butter

Please: No glass containers. Items must be shelf stable, nothing perishable.

### **Winter Scarf Drive Collection through Early October**

Collection boxes are out now for the annual winter scarf drive hosted by the Prayer Shawl Group to benefit N Street Ministries (<https://www.nstreetvillage.org>). Please email Lynn Barth at [lynnbarth@gmail](mailto:lynnbarth@gmail) for more yarn or information about our prayer shawl group, which begins meeting again on September 18 at 10:30 am in the Library or via Zoom.

## **Social Justice and Equity Book Club September 15 – 7:30 to 8:30 pm**

Redeemer's Social Justice and Equity Book Club have resumed weekly Zoom meetings on Mondays. The book club has just started a new book, *Go Back To Where You Came From*, by Wajahat Ali. All are welcome! Contact Teresa Schellenger at [jpschellenger@aol.com](mailto:jpschellenger@aol.com) for Zoom info.

### **Redeemer Women's Faith Group September 16 – 9:30 to 10:30 am**

The Redeemer Women's Faith Group is working through *Braving Change--Trust Where God Is Leading You* by Andi Andrew. We hope that you may join us for what is sure to be a rewarding reading and discussion opportunity. We meet on Tuesdays (Music Suite A/Zoom).

If you would like to attend, please sign up via this link: <https://bit.ly/rlcwomensgroup>. A copy of the book is available at the church office. Questions? Contact Kim Wenk at [kbwenk@gmail.com](mailto:kbwenk@gmail.com).

### **Good Grub & God September 16 — 7 pm**



Join us for a night out at a local restaurant for fellowship and casual discussion on an aspect of faith. Come solo or bring a friend, coworker, or partner. You can sign up at <https://bit.ly/good-grub-and-god> or by scanning the QR code. Please sign up by 9/15. More details will be available soon!

### **Young Adult Meeting September 23 — 7 to 9 pm**

Young adults are invited to attend our next meeting hosted at Lewinsville Presbyterian Church. Dinner will be provided. Please contact Grace Howie at [grace@redeermclean.org](mailto:grace@redeermclean.org) with any questions.

### **Community Event: Food for Others 5K and Fun Run/Walk September 27 – 8 am**

Join with Redeemer family members for a 5K and Fun Run/Walk opportunity at Tyson's Corner Center. Proceeds will go to Food for Others. Please register at this link: <https://runsignup.com/Race/Info/VA/Tysons/Tysons5K>. For further race-day details, please contact Mary Eckberg at [eckberg.mary@gmail.com](mailto:eckberg.mary@gmail.com). Hope to see you there!

## CALENDAR OF UPCOMING CHURCH EVENTS

### *Including Hybrid Options*

Sun., 9/14	<i>Sunday Worship Service Times</i>	
	8:30 am, 9:45 am, and 11:00 am	(Live stream 8:30 and 9:45 services)
	8:30 am - 12:00 pm	Church nursery is available for infants and toddlers
	9:45 am - 10:45 am	Faith Formation and Confirmation Classes
		High School "Bagels & Bible" Class (Teen Center)
		Table Talk Adult Education (Music Suite A/Zoom)
	10:55 - 11:25 am	Youth Choir Rehearsal (Music Suite B)
Mon., 9/15	7:30 pm - 8:30 pm	Social Justice & Equity Book Club (Zoom)
Tues., 9/16	9:30 am - 10:30 am	Women's Faith Group
	7:00 pm - 8:30 pm	Good Grub & God
Weds., 9/17	9:00 am - 11:30 am	Quilting Group (Fellowship Hall)
Thurs., 9/18	8:00 am - 9:00 am	Thursday AM Bible Study (Zoom)
	10:30 am - 12:00 pm	Prayer Shawl Ministry - (Library/Zoom)
	7:00 pm - 8:00 pm	Bell Choir Rehearsal (Music Suite A)
	7:45 pm - 8:45 pm	Traditional Choir Rehearsal (Music Suite B)

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# ***Please Remember to Pray....***

## **For Healing**

Aaron  
Bettina  
Carol  
Charlotte  
Chris  
Christina  
Jana  
Jean  
Jeff  
Jesse  
Jon  
Kim  
Mandy  
Marie  
Michael  
Nancy and Peter  
Sam  
Debbie G.  
Joan and Ed  
Joe G.  
Steve M.  
Trevor W.  
Achikian, Maral  
Augustenborg Epstein, Erica  
Ayers, Kyle  
Bates, Barbara  
Bergdahl, Carol  
Blakey, Patrick  
Blankenship, Bob  
Born, King "Song"  
Bornmann, Keith  
Boyer, Carol  
Boyer, Charlie  
Brown, Richard  
Canes, David  
Capodanno, Sophie  
Carter, Nicole  
Cavallo, Michael  
Cooke, Martin  
Cox, Mary  
DeGioia, Jack  
Devine, Daniel  
Diaz, Martin  
Duval, Louis

Eifler, Ruth  
Geissl, Irene  
Glindemann, Ginger  
Glindemann, Keith  
Graham, Jim  
Gross, Kathy  
Henkel, Vernon Jr.  
Heuer, Mark  
Hopkins, Harley  
Hughes, William  
Jackson, Shirley  
Jephson, Patrick  
Johnson, Ted  
Keating, Kathleen and Michael  
Kennedy, Will  
Lawrence, Kai  
Maheshwari, Mohan  
Martin, Beverly  
Martin, Trevor  
Miller, Coletta  
Moe, Mike  
Myers, Kathy  
Pittman, Larry  
Pujol Rodriguez, Esther  
Reblitz, Jennifer  
Richmond, Dan  
Ryding, Karin  
Scheinblum, Terry  
Schiedt, Mary Jane  
Schmid, Rahizza  
Schneck, Pastor Tony  
Shaefer, Phil  
Shaw, Alice  
Stear, Carolyn  
Stolar, Bob  
Teutler, Alexander  
Teutler, Olga  
Vanderhoof, Brenda  
White, Jerry  
Williams, Tim  
Wright, Jim  
Wu, Jian  
Yesko, Edmund  
Yox, Karol

## **For Comfort and Peace**

Peggy  
Collins, Josephine  
Portis, Carol

## **For Comfort in Death**

The family & friends of Joan Coffman  
The family & friends of Stephanie Foster  
The family & friends of Baxter Hunter  
The family & friends of Terry Retter  
The family & friends of Larry Smothers

## **For Safety**

All refugees  
All our military & diplomatic people  
throughout the world  
All those who serve to protect our country  
Armas, Jesús  
The Uriel family

## **For all healthcare workers and first responders**

Dominic, Elizabeth, and Ian  
Sharon  
Tara and family  
Kuhagen, Leslie  
Kutscher, Karin  
Laredo, Sandra

## **For Comfort and Strength**

Ari  
Dave  
Katelyn  
Anna and Stephen  
Sarah and Jenny  
Franks, Hannah  
Martin, Ramona  
Taylor, Charles  
Weber, Amy and Emerson and Fynn  
Those who suffer from depression  
Those who suffer from mental illness

### **Prayer List Note:**

*To add names to this list, you may email or telephone the church office. We want all our prayers to be current — so **please keep us up to date on those whom you have added to our prayer list.** With the exception of safety prayers for our military, we will remove names after one month unless we hear from you. We are prepared to pray indefinitely.*

## **Prayers for the World, our Nation, and our Community**

We pray for people in countries around the world that experience violence, war, and/or political division.  
We pray for people who live in areas where there have been disasters of any kind.  
We pray for improved relationships among all nations.  
We pray for our elected leaders that they lead with compassion while making hard decisions.  
We pray for the unemployed and the underemployed and all federal workers.  
We pray for all those facing persecution and oppression.

**Each month we will offer prayers for one of our congregations in the Virginia Conference.**

**We are part of the Virginia Conference of the ELCA Metro DC Synod.**

**We pray for Bethel Lutheran Church, Manassas, and their pastor, Rev. Katie Pocalyko.**

**We also have a prayer partnership with Evangelical Lutheran Church of St. Mary  
in Ulyanovsk, Russia, and their pastor, Zhanibek Batenov.**